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SUBJECT: REFUGEE STUDENT PROGRAMS AND OAU DIALOGUE

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1. RECENT DEVELOPMENTS BEARING ON ADMINISTRATION OF SASP AND SATP AND ON STATUS FORMER SASP PARTICIPANTS REMAINING IN US WILL BE COVERED SEPTTEL, WHICH ALSO SOLICITS VIEWS ON FUTURES OF THESE PROGRAMS.

2. WALTER CARRINGTON OF AFRICAN AMERICAN INSTITUTE ( AAI ) CALLED ON TEMPLE COLE OF S/ R AND PATTISON OF AF/ RA ON JUNE 18 TO DISCUSS PROGRAMS. AMONG MATTERS DISCUSSED WITH PATTISON WERE HIS MARCH TALKS IN ADDIS ABABA AND DAR ES SALAAM AND SUBJECTS COVERED REFTELS.

3. INsofar AS KNOWN HERE, BPEAR ( OAU BUREAU FOR THE PLACEMENT AND EDUCATION OF AFRICAN REFUGEES ) HAS STILL NOT RESPONDED TO AAI REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN FINDING  
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CANDIDATES FOR 30 VACANT SATP SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDY WITHIN AFRICA. INASMUCH AS AAI WILL BE ADMINISTERING SCHOLARSHIPS THROUGH AT LEAST FY 74, YOU MIGHT SUGGEST TO BPEAR THAT ASSISTANCE TO AAI IN THIS MATTER WOULD BE USEFUL FIRST STEP IN COLLABORATION OAU DESIRES. AAI NEW YORK WILL INSTRUCT JONES TO REITERATE AND PUSH THEIR REQUEST TO BPEAR, AND YOU SHOULD CONTACT JONES TO COORDINATE EMBASSY BACKUP OF AAI EFFORT.

4. DEPT DOES NOT CONSIDER AGREEMENT WITH INS

AS IN ANY WAY PRECLUDING CONTINUED EFFORTS TO FACILITATE RETURN OF FORMER SASP PARTICIPANTS TO AFRICA. AAI BELIEVES PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECTS PROPOSED CHANGE IN STATUS WILL ENHANCE PROSPECTS THAT MORE OF THEM WILL BE WILLING CONSIDER SERIOUSLY OFFERS OF POSITIONS IN AFRICA, AS DEPARTURE US FOR SUCH PURPOSE WOULD NO LONGER NECESSARILY BE IRREVOCABLE COMMITMENT TO THE UNKNOWN. PRESENT PROCEDURAL IMPASSE BETWEEN BPEAR AND AAI OVER JOB OFFERS TO FORMER PARTICIPANTS WAS DISCUSSED IN TERMS OF POSSIBLE COMPROMISES WHICH WOULD INVOLVE INITIAL MOVE BY AAI TO ACCOMMODATE BPEAR, BUT REQUIRE IN RETURN SIMILAR RESPONSE FROM LATTER. CARRINGTON STATED HE BELIEVED DAMON KLETZIEN OF AAI HAD PREVIOUSLY GIVEN TO BPEAR " SOME INFORMATION IN SOME DETAIL" ON LIMITED NUMBER FORMER SASP PARTICIPANTS, BUT GAVE ASSURANCES AAI WOULD ASSUME INITIATIVE AGAIN. YOU SHOULD TRY STAY ABREAST ANY DEVELOPMENTS THIS MATTER AND KEEP US INFORMED OF PROGRESS, OR LACK THEREOF, SO MATTER CAN BE PURSUED FURTHER HERE AS NECESSARY.

5. IN RESPONSE TO MBA'S REQUEST THAT USG PROVIDE FOR RETURN TRAVEL TO AFRICA FOR FORMER SASP STUDENTS WHO ARE PLACED WITH AFRICAN GOVERNMENTS AND ASSIST WITH THEIR SALARIES FOR AN INITIAL PERIOD, YOU MAY INFORM BPEAR THAT THE TERMS OF SASP GRANTS INCLUDE PARTICIPANTS' RETURN FARE TO AFRICA, BUT THERE NO PROVISIONS AUTHORIZING USG FINANCIAL SUPPORT ONCE THEY HAVE COMPLETED THEIR STUDIES, SO THAT ASSISTING WITH THEIR SALARIES WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE POSSIBLE.

6. WITH RESPECT TO BPEAR REQUEST FOR USG PARTICIPATION IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NOVEMBER SEMINAR ON REFUGEES, BOTH AF AND S/ R VIEW SUCH PARTICIPATION FAVORABLY, PENDING RECEIPT FURTHER DETAILS. IN MEANTIME, BPEAR HAS BEEN IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH AAI CONCERNING THE SEMINAR AND WILL BE RECEIVING FROM AAI BACKGROUND PAPER CLEARED BY DEPARTMENT. FYI: CARRINGTON STATES AAI'S 5 TH AFRICAN- AMERICAN DIALOGUE ( PREVIOUS IN 1971 IN LAGOS) IS ALSO SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER IN

ADDIS ABABA. END FYI. ROGERS

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